

INDEPENDENT CLAIM BASED ON ALLOWABILITY OF CLAIM 11 (limitations of claims 11, 15, 14, 13, 12, 4, 2,1)

16. A decorative cabinet door assembly made of wood (claim 11) and comprising:

a generally rectangular frame including an upper frame member, a lower frame member, a pair of opposing side members and an open space defined between said upper frame member, said lower frame member and said pair of opposing side members, said opposing side members each having a narrow slot along an inner edge thereof (claim 14) and a one of said upper frame member and said lower frame member having a slot extending between an inner edge and an outer edge thereof, with a groove along said outer edge and communicating lengthwise with said slot, and the other of said upper frame member and said lower frame member having a recess along an inner side thereof, and opposed notches at lower outer regions of said recess (claim 12), said slot, each said narrow slot and said recess all being coplanar (claim 12,

a changable (claim 2) flexible sheet panel slightly wider than said open space (claim 13) and having a first tubular loop contiguous with and formed at one end of said fabric sheet panel and a second tubular loop contiguous with and formed at the other end of said fabric sheet panel, said first tubular loop and said second tubular loop extending a width of said fabric panel, (claim 4) one of said first tubular loop and said second tubular loop

removably extending straight through said slot to said outer edge of said one of said upper frame member and said lower frame member, said flexible sheet panel also extending straight into said recess, said recess being generally a width of said fabric sheet panel (claim 12) said fabric sheet panel further extending unsupported along each side (claim 15) into each said narrow slot of each of said opposed side members (claim 4),

a first dowel pin inserted through said one of said first loop and said second loop extending through said slot, and;

a second dowel pin inserted through the other of said first loop and said second loop, said first dowel pin positioned in said groove, thereby securing said fabric sheet panel in place in said one of said upper frame member and said lower frame member (claim 4), with ends of said second dowel pin engaging said notches, thereby securing said fabric sheet panel in said recess and tensioning said fabric sheet panel between said upper frame member and said lower frame member (claim 12).

CLAIM BASED ON ALLOWABILITY OF CLAIM 14 (limitations of claims 14, 13, 12, 4, 2, 1)

17. A decorative cabinet door assembly comprising:

a generally rectangular frame including an upper frame member, a lower frame member, a pair of opposing side members and an open space defined between said upper frame member, said lower frame member and said pair of opposing side members, said opposing side members each having a

narrow slot along an inner edge thereof (claim 14) and a one of said upper frame member and said lower frame member having a slot extending between an inner edge and an outer edge thereof, with a groove along said outer edge and communicating lengthwise with said slot, and the other of said upper frame member and said lower frame member having a recess along an inner side thereof, and opposed notches at lower outer regions of said recess, said slot, each said narrow slot and said recess all being coplanar (claim 12),

a changable flexible sheet panel slightly wider than said open space (claim 13) and having a first tubular loop contiguous with and formed at one end of said fabric sheet panel and a second tubular loop contiguous with and formed at the other end of said fabric sheet panel, said first tubular loop and said second tubular loop extending a width of said flexible sheet panel, (claim 4) one of said first tubular loop and said second tubular loop removably extending straight through said slot to said outer edge of said one of said upper frame member and said lower frame member, said flexible sheet panel also extending straight into said recess, said recess being generally a width of said fabric sheet panel (claim 12) said fabric sheet panel further extending along each side into each said narrow slot of each of said opposed side members (claims 4),

a first dowel pin inserted through one of said first tubular loop and said second tubular loop, and;

a second dowel pin inserted through the other of said first tubular loop and said second tubular loop, said first dowel pin positioned in said

groove, thereby securing said fabric sheet panel in place in said one of said upper frame member and said lower frame member (claim 4), with ends of said second dowel pin engaging said notches, thereby securing said fabric sheet panel in said recess and tensioning said fabric sheet panel between said upper frame member and said lower frame member (claim 12).

CLAIM BASED ON ALLOWABILITY OF CLAIM 15 (limitations of claims 15, 14, 13, 12, 4, 2, 1)

18. A decorative cabinet door assembly made of wood (claim 11) comprising:

a generally rectangular frame including an upper frame member, a lower frame member, a pair of opposing side members and an open space defined between said upper frame member, said lower frame member and said pair of opposing side members, said opposing side members each having a narrow slot along an inner edge thereof (claim 14) and a one of said upper frame member and said lower frame member having a slot extending between an inner edge and an outer edge thereof, with a groove along said outer edge and communicating lengthwise with said slot, and the other of said upper frame member and said lower frame member having a recess along an inner side thereof, and opposed notches at lower outer regions of said recess, said slot, each said narrow slot and said recess all being coplanar (claim 12),

a changable flexible sheet panel slightly wider than said open space and (claim 13) having a first tubular loop contiguous with and formed at one end of said fabric sheet panel and a second tubular loop contiguous with and

formed at the other end of said fabric sheet panel, said first tubular loop and said second tubular loop extending a width of said flexible sheet panel, (claim 4) one of said first tubular loop and said second tubular loop removably extending straight through said slot to said outer edge of said one of said upper frame member and said lower frame member, said flexible sheet panel also extending straight into said recess, said recess being generally a width of said fabric sheet panel (claim 12) said fabric sheet panel further extending along each side unsupported into each said narrow slot of each of said opposed side members (claims 4, 15),

a first dowel pin inserted through one of said first tubular loop and said second tubular loop, and;

a second dowel pin inserted through the other of said first tubular loop and said second loop, said first dowel pin positioned in said groove, thereby securing said fabric sheet panel in place in said one of said upper frame member and said lower frame member (claim 4), with ends of said second dowel pin engaging said notches, thereby securing said fabric sheet panel in said recess and tensioning said fabric sheet panel between said upper frame member and said lower frame member (claim 12).

As this amendment is believed to place all the claims in condition for allowance, favorable action is respectfully requested. No new matter is added with this amendment, and no material is added that would require a new search or additional consideration. Three independent claims are added, these

claims incorporating only subject matter indicated as being allowable.

In the event there are outstanding issues that need to be resolved, a telephone call from the Examiner is solicited.

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1 11 (cancelled).

1 12 (cancelled).

1 13 (cancelled).

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1 15 (cancelled).

Please add the following new claims to the application.

1 16 (new). A decorative cabinet door assembly made of wood and comprising:

2 a generally rectangular frame including an upper frame member, a
3 lower frame member, a pair of opposing side members and an open space
4 defined between said upper frame member, said lower frame member and said

5 pair of opposing side members, said opposing side members each having a
6 narrow slot along an inner edge thereof and a one of said upper frame member
7 and said lower frame member having a slot extending between an inner edge
8 and an outer edge thereof, with a groove along said outer edge and
9 communicating lengthwise with said slot, and the other of said upper frame
10 member and said lower frame member having a recess along an inner side
11 thereof, with opposed notches at lower outer regions of said recess, said slot,
12 each said narrow slot and said recess all being coplanar,

13 a changable flexible sheet panel slightly wider than said open space
14 and having a first tubular loop contiguous with and formed at one end of said
15 fabric sheet panel and a second tubular loop contiguous with and formed at
16 the other end of said fabric sheet panel, said first tubular loop and said second
17 tubular loop extending a width of said fabric panel, one of said first tubular
18 loop and said second tubular loop removably extending straight through said
19 slot to said outer edge of said one of said upper frame member and said lower
20 frame member, said flexible sheet panel also extending straight into said
21 recess, said recess being generally a width of said fabric sheet panel, said
22 fabric sheet panel further extending unsupported along each side into each
23 said narrow slot of each of said opposed side members,

24 a first dowel pin inserted through said one of said first loop and said
25 second loop extending through said slot, and;

26 a second dowel pin inserted through the other of said first loop and
27 said second loop, said first dowel pin positioned in said groove, thereby

28 securing said fabric sheet panel in place in said one of said upper frame
29 member and said lower frame member, with ends of said second dowel pin
30 engaging said notches, thereby securing said fabric sheet panel in said recess
31 and tensioning said fabric sheet panel between said upper frame member and
32 said lower frame member.

1 17 (new). A decorative cabinet door assembly comprising:
2 a generally rectangular frame including an upper frame member, a
3 lower frame member, a pair of opposing side members and an open space
4 defined between said upper frame member, said lower frame member and said
5 pair of opposing side members, said opposing side members each having a
6 narrow slot along an inner edge thereof and a one of said upper frame member
7 and said lower frame member having a slot extending between an inner edge
8 and an outer edge thereof, with a groove along said outer edge and
9 communicating lengthwise with said slot, and the other of said upper frame
10 member and said lower frame member having a recess along an inner side
11 thereof, and opposed notches at lower outer regions of said recess, said slot,
12 each said narrow slot and said recess all being coplanar,
13 a changable flexible sheet panel slightly wider than said open space
14 and having a first tubular loop contiguous with and formed at one end of said
15 fabric sheet panel and a second tubular loop contiguous with and formed at
16 the other end of said fabric sheet panel, said first tubular loop and said second
17 tubular loop extending a width of said flexible sheet panel, one of said first

18 tubular loop and said second tubular loop removably extending straight
19 through said slot to said outer edge of said one of said upper frame member
20 and said lower frame member, said flexible sheet panel also extending straight
21 into said recess, said recess being generally a width of said fabric sheet panel,
22 said fabric sheet panel further extending along each side into each said narrow
23 slot of each of said opposed side members,

24 a first dowel pin inserted through one of said first tubular loop and
25 said second tubular loop, and;

26 a second dowel pin inserted through the other of said first tubular
27 loop and said second tubular loop, said first dowel pin positioned in said
28 groove, thereby securing said fabric sheet panel in place in said one of said
29 upper frame member and said lower frame member, with ends of said second
30 dowel pin engaging said notches, thereby securing said fabric sheet panel in
31 said recess and tensioning said fabric sheet panel between said upper frame
32 member and said lower frame member.

1 18 (new). A decorative cabinet door assembly comprising:

2 a generally rectangular frame including an upper frame member, a
3 lower frame member, a pair of opposing side members and an open space
4 defined between said upper frame member, said lower frame member and said
5 pair of opposing side members, said opposing side members each having a
6 narrow slot along an inner edge thereof and a one of said upper frame member
7 and said lower frame member having a slot extending between an inner edge

8 and an outer edge thereof, with a groove along said outer edge and
9 communicating lengthwise with said slot, and the other of said upper frame
10 member and said lower frame member having a recess along an inner side
11 thereof, and opposed notches at lower outer regions of said recess, said slot,
12 each said narrow slot and said recess all being coplanar,

13 a changable flexible sheet panel slightly wider than said open space
14 and having a first tubular loop contiguous with and formed at one end of said
15 fabric sheet panel and a second tubular loop contiguous with and formed at
16 the other end of said fabric sheet panel, said first tubular loop and said second
17 tubular loop extending a width of said flexible sheet panel, one of said first
18 tubular loop and said second tubular loop removably extending straight
19 through said slot to said outer edge of said one of said upper frame member
20 and said lower frame member, said flexible sheet panel also extending straight
21 into said recess, said recess being generally a width of said fabric sheet panel,
22 said fabric sheet panel further extending along each side unsupported into
23 each said narrow slot of each of said opposed side members,

24 a first dowel pin inserted through one of said first tubular loop and
25 said second tubular loop, and;

26 a second dowel pin inserted through the other of said first tubular
27 loop and said second loop, said first dowel pin positioned in said groove,
28 thereby securing said fabric sheet panel in place in said one of said upper
29 frame member and said lower frame member, with ends of said second dowel
30 pin engaging said notches, thereby securing said fabric sheet panel in said

- 31 recess and tensioning said fabric sheet panel between said upper frame
- 32 member and said lower frame member.